Literacy (LITR)

LITR 3110. Emergent Literacy Through Children's Literature and the Arts. 3 Hours.

Prerequisites: Appropriate 2999 course, and a minimum GPA of 2.75. Co-requisite: ECSE 3390, ECED 3190, or a practicum approved at the program level. An integrated approach to incorporating emergent literacy skills with aesthetic appreciation and creative expression. Emphasis is on methods for using children's literature and the fine arts to develop life-long readers.

LITR 3120. Early Literacy. 3 Hours.

Prerequisites: Appropriate 2999 course, and a minimum GPA of 2.75. Co-requisite: ECSE 3390, ECED 3190, or a practicum approved at the program level. Introduction to content, theoretical perspectives, and evidence-based strategies for teaching children in the primary grades to read and write. Major topics include the reading process, phonemic awareness, phonics, comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary. Teacher candidates are expected to plan and implement learned skills and knowledge in a PreK-K classroom.

LITR 3130. Developing Literacy. 3 Hours.

Prerequisites: Appropriate 2999 course; LITR 3110; LITR 3120; and a minimum GPA of 2.75. Co-requisite: ECSE 3490, ECED 3690, or a practicum approved at the program level. Application of methods for teaching listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, and visually representing in a 4-5 grade classroom. Instructional methods of processes for writing and comprehending various forms of texts; motivating students to read and write; developing vocabulary, comprehension strategies, and higher-order thinking; and applying technology are emphasized.

LITR 4120. Literacy Assessment and Applications. 3 Hours.

Prerequisites: Appropriate 2999 course; LITR 3110; LITR 3120; LITR 3130. Emphasizes diagnostic and assessment strategies for corrective instruction for struggling elementary readers and writers. The course includes causes of reading disability, methods of diagnosis, instructional methods for group and individual remedial work, strategies for successful test taking. Teacher candidates will be required to apply their learned skills in tutoring experiences.